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TO OPEN PAVING BIDS APRIL FOURTEEN

CITY COUNCIL ADOPTS PLANS
AND INSTRUCTS CITY AUDI-
TOR TO CALL FOR
ESTIMATES.

FORMER ORDER RESCINDED

Proposition to Ship Rock From Falls
City and Crush it Here is Consid-
ered; Investigate Macadam Needs
in Residence Districts; Committee
to Visit Grants Pass.

Adoption of plans for the proposed
hard surface street improvement,
hauling of a project which may re-
sult in shipping in rock for street
purposes from Falls City, providing
for an investigation of needed mac-
adam street work, rescinding of a
former order of the council provid-
ing for the entire council to visit and
investigate paving in other cities, and
the appointment of a special commit-
tee to visit Grants Pass, comprised
the business transacted at the spe-
cial meeting of the Dallas city council
held at the council chambers in the
city hall on Monday night, at which
time the full membership was present.

Street Plans Adopted.
City Engineer Flagg submitted the
completed plans for the proposed
hard surface street improvement,
showing the entire district to be pav-
ed, to be known as "Dallas paving
district No. 1." In connection with
the plans were shown details of ev-
ery possible pavement which might
be adopted and upon which bids may
be received. Chairman Coad, of the
street committee reported that the
committee had investigated the plans
and found them satisfactory and, up-
on motion of Councilman Staats,
they were adopted, after some minor
changes had been made by the city
engineer. On motion City Auditor
Gregory and Mayor Craven were au-
thorized to advertise for bids which
will be opened at the regular meeting
on April 14. No action was taken on
the question brought up last week by
Attorney Huntington, of Portland,
representing the Warren company,
the council proceeding along the
course previously determined upon.

May Use Falls City Rock.
Quotations on freight rates for the
shipping of rock from Falls City to
Dallas were read from Freight Agent
H. A. Hinshaw, of the Southern Pa-
cific, whereby the company offered
to bring all rock needed for street
work by the city from the above
point at a price which would not ex-
ceed 25 cents per ton. It was stated
that, as the rock could be secured

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CORRUPT PRACTICE APPLIES TO ALL

PROVISIONS OF OREGON LAW
EXTENDS TO ALL ELECTIONS.

Arguments on Election Day Prohibi-
ted; Can't Even Buy Cigar; Be
Careful in Discussion With Wife.

Every provision of the state's cor-
rupt practices act as applied to state
and county elections, holds good with
equal force to all municipal elections,
although this is sometimes not under-
stood. There is no provision of the
state exempting any election, but it
expressly states that the terms of the
law apply to all elections held in the
state. There are, however, some pro-
visions of the law which are not un-
derstood by some, and in order that
all may be advised, The Observer
herewith gives a brief review of the
law as it affects illegal practices on
election day.

Section 34 provides that "it shall
be unlawful for any person at any
place on the day of any election to
solicit, or in any manner try to
induce or persuade any voter on such
election day to vote for or refrain
from voting for any candidate x x x
or any measure submitted to the
people, and upon conviction thereof
he shall be punished by a fine of not
less than \$5 nor more than \$100, for
the first offense, and for the second
and each subsequent offense occurring
on the same or different election days,
he shall be punished by fine as afore-

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Dark is Fog of Earthly Ills Sitting Now on Waldo Hills; Basket Ball no Longer Thrills

NEARLY "CHAMPS" FROM MA-
RION TOWN ARE DONE BY
DALLAS BUNCH UP
BROWN.

Company G Takes Game With Ease;
and Has Opponents Climbing Trees;
Rough-House Tactics Fail to Work,
For Dangers in Such Methods Lurk.
So Silverton is Plunged in Murk.

The Tale of Woe.
Dallas 19
Silverton 12

The Victors.
Shaw (Pebo) Center
Ballantyne Forward
Gates Forward
Morton Guard
Boydston Guard

Vanquished.
Dahl, center; Cooley and F.
Woleott, forwards; C. Woleott
and Kinsert, guards.

The story is a sad one—for Silver-
ton who met their betters on the Mc-
Minville court last Saturday night
in battle royal to decide as to whether
or not they were all that had been
claimed for them because they won a
scratch game at Silverton recently
against the famous guards of Dal-
las, the game having been a tie at the
finish of halves, and a lucky toss
by Silverton deciding the game. The
sad, and story is told in brief above.

Silverton Starts Trouble.
In the first half Silverton showed
their true colors when they began the
roughness of tactics, slugging their
opponents at every opportunity. They
were skilled in this art and it ap-
peared that they had determined to
follow this style of play with the in-
tention of winning the game or break-
ing it up in a row. Center Dahl re-
peated the slugging of Shaw who
calmly took the jolts of his opponent
until such time as Referee Simonon
could observe the work of the boast-
ed champions from Marion. Then
the penalty came to the rescue of
Dallas, and Ballantyne repeated his
past performances, throwing six out
of eleven fouls called upon the Sil-
verton sluggers.

Dallas on Defensive.
The generalship of the Dallas team
was superb, as was evidenced by the
defensive work which netted but four
goals against their opponents 11, per-
haps the minimum of fouls against
Dallas, during the season's play.
Woleott found two out of these four
for points, but the poor fellow lost
the evening's honors by throwing a
goal for Dallas in the last half, an
unusual occurrence that brought the
audience of 2500 people to its feet,
a portion being breathless and the
balance—well, they were from Dal-
las, not breathless.

Break Even on Field Throws.
It was a standoff from the field—
five and five—Shaw getting a pretty
toss, Morton two, Boydston one and
Ballantyne one. Gates was unfortu-
nate in having several open shots
but the ball wobbled about the rim
of the basket and refused to find a
resting place. With the score stand-
ing eight to six at the end of the
first 20 minutes in favor of Dallas,
the people from Prinetown, who
know the game and the style of play
which has been in vogue for years
with the Dallas team, breathed a deep
sigh of relief, the band injected en-
thusiasm with a rag-time hit, and
then there was nothing to it, the long-
distance Silverton athletes being un-
der perfect control, becoming so tame
at times that a Dallasite could lay

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REPORT YOUR MAIL LOSSES

Large Quantity of West Side Mail in
Loot of Salem Postoffice Official.

The Observer has received the fol-
lowing communication for publication
from the postmaster at Salem relat-
ing to the recent discovery of wholesale
looting of the mails by a former em-
ployee of the Salem postoffice. It is
self-explanatory:
"On the morning of the 19th inst.
the mail messenger between this of-
fice and the Southern Pacific depot
was arrested for robbing the mail and
10 dry goods boxes of 'loot' were
found when his home was searched,
a large portion of the stolen pack-
ages were for the West side and par-
ties who have lost Christmas pack-
ages or Parcel Post packages are re-
quested to write the postmaster at
Salem concerning same, always giv-
ing a careful description of the lost
mail, if garments have been lost state
what kind of goods, size, color, trim-
mings, etc. All wrappers had been
removed and contents separated."

EIGHT CARS IN ONE DAY.

Freight Receipts For Monday
Break All Records For
Dallas.

Eight carloads of general
freight consigned to Dallas mer-
chants were received at the Dal-
las station of the Southern Pa-
cific on Monday, which is said to
have been the largest invoice of
incoming freight of similar char-
acter ever recorded for this city.
The extraordinary amount was
caused by the failure of the regu-
lar four cars to arrive on Sat-
urday morning and Monday, con-
sequently, a double dose was re-
ceived.

BRIDGE WORK MAY BE SETTLED

POLK COURT MAY CALL FOR
BIDS FOR FOUR NEW SPANS.

Railway Right of Way Agent Wants
Permission to Cross County Roads;
New Suits Filed; Other Notes.

Routine matters so far as known
will furnish the only items of business
to come before the Polk county court
at its regular session which opens to-
morrow, according to Judge Teal, al-
though it is possible that the matter
of the construction of the four pro-
posed new bridges may be taken up.
It is Judge Teal's desire to advertise
for bids at the present meeting, in
order that the contracts may be let
at the May meeting and work on the
bridges be commenced without fur-
ther delay so that they may be fin-
ished in time to be of use this fall.

Railway Activity.
Right of Way Agent Matt Clarke
of the Valley & Siletz railway has
informed Judge Teal that his com-
pany would soon ask for right of way
over some of the county roads in the
Big Luckiamute valley in the Kings
Valley neighborhood, and this matter
may come up at this month's session
of the court. It is reported that the
company has secured practically all
of its right of way on the western
end of its proposed line in Polk
county, and Clarke is now taking up
his options and securing deeds to the
land. Crews of surveyors are work-
ing in the southern part of the county
and every indication points to the
beginning of actual construction of
the road.

Court House Notes.
Two new suits have been filed in
department No. 1 as follows:
J. N. Jones vs. Henry Mott, action
to recover on note, B. F. Swope for
plaintiff.

Star Drilling Machine company vs.
Oregon Oil and Pipe Line company to
secure a claim of \$1000 for goods
and merchandise sold, Oscar Hay-
ter, Beach, Simon & Nelson for plain-
tiff.

Superintendent Seymour reports
that J. C. Muernan, the government
educational agent who has been sent
to Oregon to make a thorough study
of the state's educational system, is
now engaged in that duty and is vi-
siting the schools in company with
Rural Supervisor Parsons. It is
Muernan's intention to visit every
teacher in the county and advise
himself fully of the work the children
are doing and acquaint himself re-
garding the general effectiveness of
the schools.

Tax deputies in the sheriff's office
are still up to their ears in work and
they say the end is not yet. Receipts
are being sent out as rapidly as pos-
sible. The 1912 tax will become de-
linquent April 7, at 5 o'clock p. m.,
after which time 10 per cent penalty
and 12 per cent interest per annum
accrue. First half of the tax may be
paid on or before the first Monday
in April.

POLK BIRTHS EXCEED DEATHS

Population of County Shows Steady
Increase For Month.

The record of births in Polk county
for the month of February exceeds
that of deaths during the same period
at the ratio of 17 to eight, according
to the records on file with County
Health Officer McCallon. Dallas leads
with five, West Salem records two,
and Buena Vista, Williamina, Baell
and Airfie were content with one
each.

President Wilson at His Desk, Facing Duties of His Position

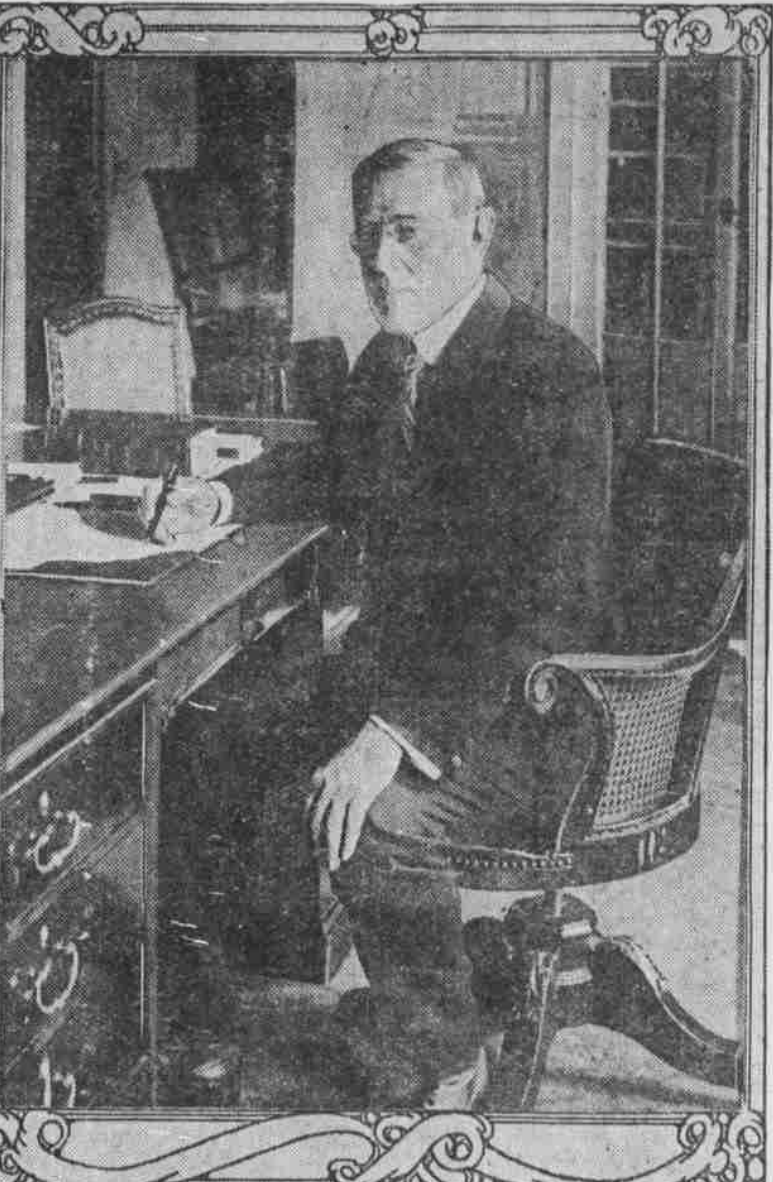


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HERE you see President Wilson at his desk in the White House office
ready for work as the first employee of the land. He has sat just
like this for days since his inauguration listening to the solicitations
of senators and representatives and men of note who urged him to
appoint this man or that to various important jobs at his disposal. Hundreds
of office seekers were barred from facing the president at his desk by his own
order issued right after he took hold, when he decreed that he would see no
job hunter unless personally sent for or recommended by heads of departments.

Brings Himself to County Jail

"Up to Me to Go to Jail" Says
Cairns, "Constable Didn't Have
Time to Bring Me, But
Here I Am."

"Are you the sheriff?" asked N.
W. Cairns, from Independence, the
other day, as he handed that county
official a legal looking document on
the street.

"Yes, I'm he," replied Sheriff
Grant as he took the paper. He read
it, and found that it was a commit-
ment for a 10 day jail sentence issued
by Justice J. D. Winn.

"Well, where's the man?" asked
the sheriff.

"I'm it," answered Cairns, gently
tapping the left lapel of his coat,
"and I guess it's up to me to go to
jail. I don't know what else to do.
The constable brought me over on the
train, but he had to return at once
and didn't have time to come up
town with me, so he told me to hunt
you up and hand this paper over to
you, and go to jail, so I guess it's me
for the jug for a while."

The whole proposition was such a
decided innovation that Sheriff Grant
was "flabbergasted" for a minute,
but he took Cairns in tow and per-
mitted him to take up his residence
in the county jail where he is now
serving his sentence. It was sug-
gested that the prisoner should be al-
lowed mileage for "bringing himself"
to jail, which would cut down his
sentence somewhat, but Cairns in-
sists that he serve out his full time.
Sure, the world do move.

TAKES DESERT LAND CLAIM

Rae Craven to Make Southern Cal-
ifornia His Future Home, He Says.

J. M. and Rae Craven returned
Saturday from a trip to the Lacerne
valley in Southern California, where
the latter secured a desert land claim
of 160 acres. Hood Craven has re-
cently secured a claim also in this
valley but J. M. decided that he would
pass the matter up, after an investi-
gation. It is stated that many peo-
ple were after the claims and that
when the Cravens left last week, there
were only four locations remaining
and that seven or eight applicants
for them had been received. The val-
ley is about 125 miles southwest of
Los Angeles and must be irrigated
to become productive. Water for ir-
rigation is provided by wells which
must be sunk by the owner and the
terms of the purchase require that
water must be on the land and a cer-
tain amount of it under cultivation
within three years. Mr. Rae Craven
expects to leave Dallas sometime dur-
ing the coming year to make his fu-
ture home on his new purchase.

MOHAIR POOL NOT POPULAR WITH BREEDERS

GOAT MEN FIGHT SHY OF AN-
NUAL COMBINATION AND
WILL SELL THEIR OWN
FLEECES PRIVATELY.

DEATH OF GOATS CUTS YIELD

Fatality Among Animals May Result
in Lighter Clip Than Usual; Im-
pure Water in Pastures Thought to
Be Cause of Death Rate; Price In-
dications Encouraging.

For the first time in many seasons
there will be no mohair pool in Dal-
las this year, according to the state-
ment of a number of goat breeders.
Although nobody appears willing to
advance a reason for this innovation,
it is admitted that the refusal of
some of the larger producers to enter
a pool is the real cause. Last year
the pool was advertised for sale on
April 27, but the bid of U. S. Grant
at 38½ cents was rejected and a
committee authorized to enter into
negotiations for the sale of the pool
at a higher figure was appointed.
Some of the growers who did not en-
ter the pool last year subsequently
disposed of their clip at a much higher
price than the pool brought, and it
is thought that their experience has
had its effect on others and been in-
strumental in causing them to remain
out of the combination. Hence for
the first time in years, the mohair
men of Dallas and vicinity will "go
it alone" and sell their clip whenever
it pleases them and for whatever
price they may elect.

Good Fleeces at Disadvantage.

Some of the larger growers, or those
who take pains with their clip, de-
clare that they are at a disadvantage
when they enter a pool, for the reason
that the appearance of even a
small number of undesirable fleeces
results in cutting down the prices of-
fered by the buyers for the entire
lot, and that they can always do bet-
ter on their own hook. This, it ap-
pears has been the result so often
that many of the growers are refus-
ing to combine.

Although, by the natural order of
things the clip this year should be
larger than ever before, it is not be-
lieved that this is true owing to the
large number of goats that have died
during the past winter. Some of the
breeders have lost large numbers, in
fact there are but few herds in the
country which have not suffered. The
cause of this wholesale death rate in
goats is hard to determine, but U.
S. Grant gives it as his opinion that
the animals have died from a disease
closely resembling typhoid fever.

Impure Water is Cause.

He believes that impure water in
the pastures frequented by the goats
has been the cause of the trouble. He
says that in practically every herd
where the fatality has been greatest,
the goats have had access to stagnant
and impure water. Goats, in common
with other animals, will drink warm
water in preference to cold, it is said,
and even if the pasture contained
springs or cold running water, they
will invariably be found drinking the
stagnant water. Mr. Grant says that
there are pools of stagnant water in
his pasture, but last summer he took
the precaution to deposit a quantity
of lime in every pool and this had
the effect of killing all germs and he
passed through the winter without the
loss of a single animal. Although the
animals generally showed no effect of
illness during the early fall, when
the more severe weather came, they
seemed to have no hardihood and
gradually succumbed to the disease.

Present indications in the mohair
market are encouraging and informa-
tion from London is to the effect that
mohair generally is ruling higher in
quotations than a year ago; it being
predicted that prices will advance ma-
terially later in the season.

Former Citizen Visits City.

Frank Kerslake, of Saver, formerly
a business man of Dallas, was in the
city Saturday shaking hands with
friends and investigating the myste-
ries of the LaCreole club under the
guidance of Billyum White. Mr.
Kerslake had been to Portland and
was on his way home when he heard
of the Dallas-Silverton basket ball
game, so he stopped off here and took
in the excursion to McMinville Sat-
urday night.

Boys Second Hand Stock.

B. Y. Allen, former Polk county
fruit inspector, has purchased the
Hinschaw stock of second-hand goods
and has moved the same to the vac-
ant rooms adjoining Gay Bros. on
the south. It is understood that Mr.
Hinschaw will move to Corvallis.

TWO FULL TICKETS TO FACE CITY ELECTORS

"CITIZENS" AND "TAXPAY-
ERS" ADOPTED AS PARTY
DESIGNATIONS AND POLIT-
ICAL LINES FORGOTTEN.

CHAPMAN AND VAN ORSDEL

Opposing Candidates For Mayoralty;
Four Aspirants For Recorder;
Polls Open From 8 to 8; Specu-
lation As to Strength of the Vote
of the Women.

With old party lines entirely ob-
literated but with two tickets in the
field, the coming election to be held
on Monday, April 7, promises to be
interesting and closely contested. The
two tickets will be known as "Citi-
zens" and "Taxpayers" and R. L.
Chapman will head the former and
J. G. VanOrsdel the latter for may-
oralty honors. In each ward there
are two candidates for councilmen
while four aspirants have appeared
for the city recorder job. The candi-
dates filed with City Auditor Greg-
ory, are as follows:

Two Tickets.

For Mayor—Citizens, R. L. Chap-
man; Taxpayers, J. G. VanOrsdel.
For Recorder—J. S. Ashbaugh,
Charles E. Gregory, A. V. R. Snyder,
independent; F. W. Zeller.
Councilman at Large—Citizens, N.
L. Guy; Taxpayers, Dr. Mark Hayter.
Councilman First Ward—Citizens,
Willis Simonon; Taxpayers, Henry
Gohrke.

Second Ward—Citizens, Oscar
Holmes; Taxpayers, W. L. Barber.
Third Ward—Citizens, J. E. Miller;
Taxpayers, A. J. Barham.

Of the four candidates for city au-
ditor, Snyder is the only one to de-
signate a "party" affiliation, although
all candidates declare themselves run-
ning "independent." For the first
time in many years, none of the out-
going councilmen are candidates for
re-election, probably being impressed
with the fact that they have dis-
charged their duty to the city and
should shift the burden to other
shoulders. The holdovers are Fen-
ton in the first; Melton in the second
and Risser in the third.

Polls Close at 6.

Unlike state and other elections
the polls will be open from eight
o'clock in the morning until 6 o'clock
at night, as the polls close at other
elections one hour later—or 7 o'clock,
all those who have been intending to
cast their ballots after six will find
themselves unable to do so. Better
vote early and make certain.

There is much speculation regard-
ing the women vote. This will be
the first opportunity the newly-en-
franchised women of Dallas have had
to exercise their right, and there is
some question as to how many will
avail themselves of it. Some esti-
mates are as high as 400, while others
do not think that more than 150
votes will be registered by the wo-
men. As the total vote cast at the
last municipal election in April, 1912,
was 469, a conservative estimate of
the ladies' vote would appear to be
not more than 200.

MABLE STOW, DALLAS BRIDE

Pretty Wedding Solemnized at Meth-
odist Parsonage.

A very pretty wedding was solemn-
ized at the Methodist parsonage
March 29, at 6:30, when Mable, the
eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Al-
fred Stow became the bride of Mr.
Chas. Nole. The impressive ring cer-
emony was read by Rev. D. L. Fields.
The bride wore a becoming gown
of tan cloth with cream trimmings.
The groom is employed at the car
shops and is a very exemplary young
man. Mrs. Nole has grown to wo-
manhood in Dallas and is well and
favorably known.

They will be at home to their
friends after April 1. Their many
friends extend congratulations and
best wishes.

CONTRIBUTES TO OHIO RELIEF

Dallas Sends \$100 to Assist Flood

Sufferers in Stricken Cities.
Headed by a donation of \$25 from
the Commercial club, action to that
effect having been authorized at a
special meeting of the board of di-
rectors held on Friday night, sub-
scriptions to the amount of \$100 have
been taken up from the business men
and others and will be forwarded to
Dayton.

Agent Wood has received instruc-
tions from the Southern Pacific to
accept all goods destined for the flood
sufferers for transportation free of
charge to the mayors of cities in the
flood district.